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Lloyd Rowland New NGA Deputy Director

BETHESDA, Md.—Effective Oct. 1, 2006, Lloyd B. Rowland assumed duties as the deputy director, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA).

Rowland has served as acting deputy director since April 13 and during that period also served as the agency's acting director from June 13 to July 7. Rowland is the sixth deputy director since NGA's establishment in 1996, when it was known as the National Imagery and Mapping Agency (NIMA). The name was changed in November 2003.

Rowland's experience includes assignments in a variety of roles at NGA and its predecessor agencies. Most recently within NGA and NIMA he was the Business Executive; Assistant Deputy Director, Directorate of Operations; Director, Geospatial Information & Services Office; and Director, Global Operations Office. He also served 24 years with the U.S. Air Force and commanded a squadron during Desert Storm, receiving the Distinguished Flying Cross for combat operations.

NGA Director Navy Vice Adm. Robert B. Murrett said in a message to the NGA workforce about Rowland that "under his leadership, our agency has strengthened and streamlined its governance process, developed our Executive Leadership Group, advanced diversity and human capital management practices, and improved agency interaction. Lloyd has also helped to ensure that our agency efficiently and effectively aligns its resources to achieve its ever-expanding wartime strategic and operational goals."

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